

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

NOMINATION FORM
for the
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME					
COMMON: Almony's Tavern BCHS #393					
AND/OR HISTORIC: LeBrun House					
2. LOCATION					
STREET AND NUMBER: At intersection of Old York and Troyer Rds.					
CITY OR TOWN: Monkton					
STATE: Maryland			COUNTY: Baltimore		
3. CLASSIFICATION					
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object		<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment		<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum		<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Comments _____ _____					
4. OWNER OF PROPERTY					
OWNER'S NAME: Mr. and Mrs. George L. LeBrun					
STREET AND NUMBER: Old York and Troyer Rds.					
CITY OR TOWN: Monkton			STATE: Maryland		
5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION					
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Baltimore County Courthouse					
STREET AND NUMBER: 					
CITY OR TOWN: Towson			STATE: Maryland		
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #): Bk. #3878, p. 302					
6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS					
TITLE OF SURVEY: Maryland Historic Sites Inventory, Baltimore County					
DATE OF SURVEY: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local					
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: 					
STREET AND NUMBER: 					
CITY OR TOWN: 			STATE: 		

7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Almony Tavern is a nearly-square frame structure of two storeys, four bays in width and four bays in depth, with a gable roof and a single interior chimney centered at each end. Facing south, toward the 'V' intersection of two roads and closely related to those roads, it has a one-storey shed roofed porch across its east end, the northerly bay of which is enclosed as a pantry. Double doors from the porch give access to the southeast room. A south entrance, sheltered by a small gabled portico, is in the second bay from the west. Windows, generally, are 6/6, with louvered blinds. Exterior walls are covered with asbestos shingles.

In plan, the house is divided into four squares. The stair rises directly in front of the south door, now partially open to the southwest room, but, perhaps, originally between two partitions which defined a very small entry. Original interior finishes are very simple and walls and ceilings are, generally, plastered; the southeast room has a high wainscot of plain vertical boards, in lieu of plaster. The northeast room has a fireplace probably related to a cooking function.

The second storey plan is similar, but some of the four basic spaces are, or were, subdivided into smaller spaces, with corridors for private circulation.

The third storey, within the roof, is entirely lathed, but only the easterly room had any plaster applied -- a single, very thin coat, extending only a few feet above the floor. The intention to finish this storey, and the abandonment of that plan is one of house's most interesting features. The circular sawn lathe is fastened with cut nails.

The stone walled cellar extends only beneath the westerly rooms. First floor joists are of log.

Almony's Tavern obviously was conceived as an inexpensive but spacious structure, unusually simple and functional. The southeast room, with its associated east porch and entrance facing the Old York Road, and its durable high wainscot, probably was the single public room. The family's private quarters probably were the two westerly rooms with their own, more formal, south entrance. The kitchen occupying the northeastern rooms, was convenient to both sections. Some of the second storey rooms probably were available to travelers, and the third storey allowed for future expansion, never required. With the modern, superficial additions removed in one's imagination (which have been added to increase the style and comfort of this very basic structure) one can picture the straight-forward, basic existence of a roadside business in the mid-nineteenth century. Maps indicate that it was built after 1850, but before 1877. Its similarity to historically-important Surratt's Tavern in Prince George's County, built in 1852, is striking.

James T. Wollon, Jr.

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- ☐ Pre-Columbian ☐ 16th Century ☐ 18th Century ☐ 20th Century
☐ 15th Century ☐ 17th Century ☒ 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Phi- | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | losophy | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | <u>Local history</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Human- | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | itarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Almony's Tavern is the one of two remaining structures on The Maner originally built as taverns. It was built in the post-Civil War era by Joshua Almony.

This structure is on a portion of lot 30 of My Lady's Maner acquired by John McGaw in 1796. (-1)

There is no structure on this site shown on the 1850 map of Baltimore County, but is shown and appropriately named in the 1877 map.

Reference:

1. Liber WG#WW folio 470

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
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SE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 17 acres

Acreage Justification:

Acreage owned by present resident is adequate to insure preservation of immediate environment.

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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: R.M.N. Crosby, M. D.	
ORGANIZATION My Lady's Manor Association	DATE January 1975
STREET AND NUMBER: Rt. 1, Box 42	
CITY OR TOWN: Monkton	STATE Maryland

12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☐

Signature _____

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

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PROPERTY MAP FORM

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3. MAP REFERENCE			
SOURCE:			
U.S.G.S. 7.5 minute map, Phoenix Quadrangle, Maryland			
SCALE: 1:24,000			
DATE: 1957			
4. REQUIREMENTS			
TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS			
1. Property boundaries where required.			
2. North arrow.			
3. Lotitude and longitude reference.			

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PROPERTY PHOTOGRAPH FORM

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3. PHOTO REFERENCE			
PHOTO CREDIT: R.M.N. Crosby, M. D.			
DATE OF PHOTO: January 1975			
NEGATIVE FILED AT: Maryland Historical Trust			
21 State Circle, Annapolis, Md.			
4. IDENTIFICATION			
DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC.			
South (front) Facade			



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ALMONY'S TAVERN